

FIRST REAL HOT WAVE HITS NORTHERN FRANCE

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HARD FIGHT AT GUILLEMET

Hand-to-Hand and Hide-and-Seek
Conflicts of Indescribable Fer-
ocity in Village Ruins—Fearful
Casualties Among Germans.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN THE
FIELD, July 30 (via London, July 31).
—French and British soldiers made to-
day's attack in sweltering midsummer
heat. The first real hot wave of the
season struck Northern France last
night, and this morning British and
French infantry operated in an ac-
tion north of the Somme, in front of
Guillemet and Maurepas.

For the last few days the one word
on everybody's tongue has been "visi-
bility," which has come into universal
use since Admiral Jellicoe's first fleet
dispatch. Formerly, artillerymen spoke
of "good" and "bad" light. Persistent
bad light or low visibility, which did
not permit the gunners to register their
targets, had delayed as important in-
fantry action. Yesterday the light
became better, as the heat grew tropic
and offensive operations were renewed.

Every day the Germans have been in-
creasing the number of guns and men
in the Guillemet sector, which is
among the last portions of high ground
they hold. By prisoners taken, ten
German battalions, or 10,000 men, have
been identified on a front of 2,000 yards
where the Germans are still in their
old second-line fortifications with maze
trenches and deep dugouts built long
ago and strengthened since the offen-
sive began. The Germans appear to
regard this sector of critical importance,
since the British broke the second
line on the adjoining front for a length
of two miles on July 14.

GERMANS BITTERLY RESIST THE BRITISH

Part of the British attack struck
from the bloody Trones wood and the
other part on the flank, while the Ger-
mans tried to man machine guns as
usual after a British bombardment.
The Germans resisted the British
bitterly.

The British got possession of the
railroad station which they had reached
in a previous attack, and this time, ac-
cording to last reports, were still hold-
ing it. Some of the attackers got into
Guillemet, and reached the church
where the Germans, swarming in dug-
outs, outnumbered the advance party,
which fought against the foe on all
sides. It was one of those hand-to-
hand and hide-and-peek conflicts in the
village ruins, of indescribable ferocity.
The British had to retire from the
edge of Guillemet, but made good a
considerable advance southward on the
left flank of the town, through the
hot night, fighting continued to main-
tain their gain.

Perspiration made white water
courses in the dust of the men's faces
to-day, and their eyes looked through
masks so thick that their faces seemed
to be covered with some kind of
armor. Motor trucks passed like phan-
toms in thick clouds of dust. Gun-
ners, stripped to their skin, kept on
serving their guns at top speed.
Breathing came hard in the mixture of
dust and shell smoke.

Soldiers who reached Guillemet
speak of the fearful carnage among the
Germans from the British gunfire,
owing to the masses of Germans con-
centrated under the British bombard-
ment before the infantry attacks. They
said they could hear the moans of the
German wounded for water, above the
howling and rifle and machine-gun fire.

TOTAL OF 184 LIVES LOST IN CANADIAN FOREST FIRES

Great Part of Province Believed
Saved from Destruction by Heavy
Rainfall.

TORONTO, Ont., July 31.—With one
town completely wiped out, another
almost in ruins, and a score of small
settlements obliterated, Premier Hearst
announced to-night that 184 persons
lost their lives in the forest fires in
Northern Ontario. Only a heavy rain-
fall to-day probably saved a great
part of the province from destruction.
Hearst said he believes that the 184
victims are the heaviest toll taken ex-
traordinary measures to provide for the
refugees. Where the towns of Matheson
and one other stood, tonight there are only
smoldering ashes. The country sur-
rounding it is as barren as a desert.
Only a few structures in the village of
Cochrane remain standing. The great-
est loss of life occurred at Nishka and
Montclair, partly by fire, where ninety-
eight persons were believed to be dead.
At Matheson, thirty-five persons, in-
cluding a priest, were killed. The re-
mains of the great paper mills, which
are located, were not entirely burned,
as reported last night. The paper mills
and one store were saved.

There was no serious damage at
Englehart, although one or two fires
occurred. At Timmins, seventeen houses
burned.

HIGH COMMENDATION FOR SLOCUM AND MEN

Special Inspector's Report on Columbus
Held Incident Approved by Secre-
tary Baker.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—High com-
mendation for Colonel Herbert J. Slo-
cum and his men of the Thirtieth
Cavalry for their "prompt and valorous
action" in repulsing and pursuing Villa
and his bandits when they attacked
Columbus, N. M., last March, is given
in a special inspector's report on the
incident, which the War Department
announced to-day had been approved
by Secretary Baker.

The raid was investigated at the de-
partment's order by an officer of the
inspector-general's office. The report,
which is commended in general by the
inspector, General Pershing, disposes
finally of the incident so far as the
department is concerned. There has
been a disposition even among army
officers to criticize Colonel Slocum for
being lulled into a false sense of
security and permitting himself to be
surprised.

The inspector's report said:
"I recommend that Colonel Slocum
be advised that no stigma rests upon
his conduct of command at Columbus,
N. M., at the time of Villa's attack, and
that he and his command are highly
commended for their prompt and val-
orous action in the repulse of Villa's
forces and the pursuit of the same."

REAL ESTATE AND COURTS

Permits for new and repair work is-
sued last month by Building Inspector
Butler call for a total expenditure of
\$282,129, which is considered an un-
usual figure for this season of the year.
Plans now on file in the office, how-
ever, including those of the Cohen Co.,
for additions to its store, and those of
the city of Richmond for improve-
ments to the Binford Junior High
School, which, together, will mean the
outlay of more than \$100,000, will, it
is thought, make an even greater
amount to be spent in building next
month.

Mr. Butler shows in his monthly re-
port, completed yesterday, that the total
amount of operations in the Building
Inspector's department, from August 1,
1907, when the department was created,
to July 31, 1916, a period of nine years,
amounts to \$37,036,159, or an average
of \$4,115,128.77. This it is pointed out
is evidence of Richmond's phenomenal
growth during the last decade.

CHANCERY TRANSFERS.

Fifteen Deeds of Bargain and Sale,
Amounting to \$22,000.

H. J. Croft et ux. to L. W. Harris,
38x130 feet, 1402 and 1404 North Third-
Street, July 3, 1916. Tax, \$130.

J. Jordan Leake et al. trustees, to Fred H.
Jackson, 28x120 feet east of Third-
Street, July 28, 1916. Tax, \$650.

Same to Richard T. Willis, 38x132
feet east line of Third Street, July 28,
1916. Tax, \$650.

John W. Hancock et ux. to Thomas W.
Kuhn, 38x140 feet, 1405 Virginia
Avenue, July 28, 1916. Tax, \$700.

Anthony Kramer to Mrs. Marie A.
Williams, 57x90 feet west line of Sec-
ond Street, 55 feet south of Denny
Street, July 19, 1916. Tax, \$50.

Mary M. Bailey to Sarah Woodman,
22x132 feet south line of Q Street, cor-
ner of Q and Third Street, July 19,
1916. Tax, \$110.

Richard H. Helmington to Hugh B.
Baker, 91 feet by 190 feet, 190 feet
west line of Third Street, 120 feet
north of M Street, July 21, 1916. Tax,
\$30.

Dorothy Franklin et vir to Robert
Evans, 716 North Ninth Street, Janu-
ary 29, 1916. Tax, \$1,650.

A. B. Dickinson to Fortunato Amato,
100x90 feet south line of Beverly Street,
212 feet west of Randolph Street, July
29, 1916. Tax, \$100.

Carlton Jackson, special commis-
sioner, to A. R. Dickinson, 10x290 feet
south line of Beverly Street, 272 feet
west of Randolph Street, July 27,
1916. Tax, \$50.

Julia M. Dunn to W. S. Luck, lot 20,
block E, plan of Lee Park, July 8,
1916. Tax, \$1,600.

David W. Wilbur et ux. to Tiller R.
Richardson, lots 208 to 214, inclusive,
plan of Brookland Terrace, July 28,
1916. Tax, \$1,000.

Arthur L. Sharp and Company of Vir-
ginia, Inc., lot 29, block 3, plan of
Monument Annex, July 27, 1916. Tax,
\$110.

L. W. Throckmorton to W. F. Hen-
dricks, 616 Beverly Street, July 27,
1916. Tax, \$150.

Charles W. Crump, trustee, to John
M. Purcell, 29x77 feet 6 inches west
side of Seventeenth Street, 92 feet
south of Baldwin Street, July 29, 1916,
\$1,950.

HUSTINGS TRANSFERS.

Two Deeds of Bargain and Sale,
Amounting to \$1,075.

Southside Company, Inc. to Ruby E.
Gardner, lot 14, block 3, Woodland
Heights, September 3, 1915. \$225.

Ruby E. Gardner et vir to Ellen G.
Ashbrook, lot 4, block 3, Woodland
Heights, July 2, 1916. Tax, \$1,100.

HENRICO TRANSFERS.

Six Deeds of Bargain and Sale, Amount-
ing to \$4,430.

Washington Park Land Corporation
to Joseph Holmes, 12x120 feet, 120
feet north of M Street, July 24, 1916. Tax,
\$200.

M. H. Omohundro et ux. to Monroe
Lowery, lot 27, section 3, Oak Park,
June 19, 1916. Tax, \$750.

Chevy Chase Realty Corporation to
E. A. Nelson, lots 11 and 12, block
4, Powhatan Place, June 26, 1916. Tax,
\$1,000.

Greater Richmond Realty Company,
Inc., to Lulu Dunkel, lots 2 and 6, block
33, Monument Avenue Park, July 23,
1916. Tax, \$1,100.

Charles W. Duke et ux. to Linwood
Oakley, lots 20 and 21, Robin Park,
three miles east of city, north side of
31st Mile Road, July 13, 1916. Tax,
\$2,400.

Washington Park Land Corporation
to George W. Holmes, Jr., lots 19 and
17, block 22, Washington Park, July
24, 1916. Tax, \$400.

CHANCERY DEEDS OF TRUST.

Sixteen Deeds of Trust, Amounting to
\$27,660.13.

Hugh B. Baker et ux. to H. Garrett,
trustee, 51 feet 3 inches by 100 feet
west line of Third Street, 120 feet
north of M Street, July 21, 1916.
Tax, \$750.

Aaron Chandler et ux. to A. J. Chew-
ning, et al. trustee, 15 feet 3 1/2 inches
by 56 feet, 922 West Leigh Street, July
28, 1916. Tax, \$1,000.

Everett Perkins et ux. to William
Cattin et al. trustees, lot 13, section
3, plan of Northampton, September
29, 1916. Tax, \$2,100.

Eric B. Twining et vir to Joseph C.
Taylor et al. trustees, 1108 Lamb Ave-
nue, July 26, 1916. Tax, \$1,250.

E. T. Long et al. trustees for High-
land Park Methodist Episcopal Church,
South, to Leah R. Baker, lots 1, 2 and
3, block 2, plan of Highland Park, July
10, 1916. Tax, \$1,700.

Robert Evans to William B. Pizant,
trustee, 716 North Ninth Street, Janu-
ary 29, 1916. Tax, \$1,650.

Thomas W. Kuhn to H. B. Pollard,
Jr., trustee, lot 3, block 41, plan of
Highland Park, July 28, 1916. Tax, \$650.

Arthur J. Tuttle et ux. to James H.
Patterson et al. trustees, 25x130 feet,
107 Pendall Avenue, July 31, 1916.
Tax, \$1,200.

Fred H. Jackson et ux. to John T.
Wilson, trustee, 66x120 feet, 611 and
613 North Thirtieth Street, July 28,
1916. Tax, \$1,100.

H. J. Beattie et ux. to Edwin M.
Heller, trustee, 15 feet 3 1/2 inches by 127
feet, 2115 East Main Street, July 3,
1916. Tax, \$250.

Amador P. Curtis to E. F. Schmidt,
trustee, lots 24 and 25, block 3, plan of
Batterly Court, June 26, 1916. Tax, \$1,100.

Edna A. Allen et ux. to E. F. Schmidt,
lots 13 and 14, plan of Hill Crest Park, July
12, 1916. Tax, \$1,100.

W. F. Hendricks to A. O. Boschen,
trustee, 616 Beverly Street, July 27,
1916. Tax, \$1,100.

Peter Shuckoff et ux. to H. B. Pol-
lard, Jr., trustee, 732 North Third
Street, July 28, 1916. Tax, \$1,100.

W. B. Jones et ux. to Chas. E. Cham-
berlain, trustee, lot 30, block E, plan
of Lee Park, July 23, 1916. Tax, \$500.

Belle Shilton to L. P. Briggs, trust-
ee, 16x116 feet 6 inches west side of
Third Street, 161 feet from Federal
Street, July 28, 1916. Tax, \$1,100.

HENRICO DEEDS OF TRUST.

Four Deeds of Trust, Amounting
to \$9,450.20.

E. A. Nelson to L. M. Dabney, trust-
ee, lots 11 and 12, block 4, Powhatan
Place, June 26, 1916. Tax, \$1,000.

Edmonia Bixton et ux. to L. W.
McVeigh et al. trustees, 6 acres, one-
half mile west of city, south line of
Broad Street Road, July 29, 1916. Tax,
\$2,250.

Edmonia Bixton et vir to L. W.
McVeigh et al. trustees, 1/2 mile, one-
half a mile west of city, south line of
Broad Street Road, July 29, 1916. Tax,
\$2,250.

Linwood G. Oakley et ux. to George

At the Movies To-Day

COLONIAL—Lionel Barrymore, in
"The Quilter," also a Drew comedy.

ODEON—"An International Mar-
riage," with Rita Jolivet, also "Mil-
lie Burke, in 'Victor's Romance'."

BIJOU—Dorothy Gish, in "The
Little Schoolmarm," also a Key-
stone comedy.

ISIS—William S. Hart and House-
Peters, in "Between Men," and a
Keystone comedy.

NEW—Francis X. Bushman and
Beverly Bayne, in "The Girl at the
Curtain."

REX—Florence Lawrence, in
"Elusive Isabel."

VICTOR—Marie Walcamp, in
"Who Pulled the Trigger?"

E. Haw et al., trustees, lots 20 and 21,
Robin Park, three miles east of city;
also 29x17 feet north line of Falp-
mont Avenue, fifty-three feet west
of Twenty-third Street, July 25, 1916;
\$2,560.

CHANCERY RELEASE DEEDS.

Ten Deeds of Release, Amounting
to \$12,742.

H. T. Richeson et al., trustees, to
W. W. Ratcliffe, lot 7, block T, plan of
Batterly Court Addition, July 21,
1916. Tax, \$242.

Rutha & Sloan, trustees, to L. A.
Ackley et assigns, 100x300 feet east
line of Noble Avenue, 357.8 feet south
of Walton Avenue, July 7, 1916; \$2,-
560.

H. T. Richeson et al., trustees, to L.
Carlson, 28x120 feet north line of East
Broad Street, June 19, 1916; \$2,560.

Old Dominion Trust Co., trustee, to
W. D. Marrow et al., 33x150 feet, 2902
East Marshall Street, July 29, 1916;
\$1,500.

Charles C. Russell, trustee, to Ordi-
way Fuller, lot 225, plan of Lee Park,
by Jacob W. Wilbur, March 31, 1915;
\$1,500.

L. O. Wendenburg to Ordway Fuller,
lot 17, square 14, plan of Chestnut Hill,
July 25, 1916; \$350.

William Ginnell, trustee, to Ander-
son Knox, 25x70 feet north line of Fed-
eral Street, at intersection of Federal
Street with an alley, July 16, 1916;
\$500.

Jacob S. Cohn to E. Teresa Allen
et vir, lots 13 and 14, plan of Hill
Crest Park, July 15, 1916; \$1,000.

M. J. Walker, trustee, to Bettie Shel-
ton, 16 feet by 118 feet 6 inches west
side of St. John Street, 161 feet from
Federal Street, July 27, 1916; \$100.

John M. Purcell, et ux. to P. C. Con-
rad and assigns, 220 Stuart Avenue, July
22, 1916; \$1,050.

HUSTINGS RELEASE DEED.

One Deed of Release, Amounting
to \$33,350.

Thomas P. Bryan, trustee, to A. W.
Horne, lots 4 and 5, block 34, Wood-
land Heights, September 23, 1915;
\$33,350.

HENRICO RELEASE DEED.

Three Deeds of Release, Amount-
ing to \$9,002.

Virginia Trust Company, trustee, to
Walter C. Schaaf, 5 acres, two miles
west of city, July 29, 1916; \$4,120.

Virginia Trust Company, trustee, to
Walter C. Schaaf, 5 acres, two miles
west of city, July 29, 1916; \$4,120.

E. H. Brown, trustee, to C. W.
Prake, lots 29 and 30, block 1, plan of
four miles east of city, north side of
Nine-Mile Road, July 27, 1916; \$742.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.

A petition in voluntary bankruptcy
was filed yesterday in the office of the
clerk of the United States District
Court by Andrew Clifton Rice, a na-
tional of Richmond, listing liabilities
of \$2,963.29 and assets of \$600. The
liabilities consisted of secured claims,
\$480; unsecured claims, \$188.29, and in-
debted claims, \$700.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses were issued yes-
terday by the clerk of the Hustings
Court as follows:

Patrick J. Costello and Marie Eliza-
beth Timberlake.

John M. Paulk and A. Miriam Grant.

Ernest St. C. Taylor and Irma A.
Blakey.

William W. Boyd and Ruby Thomas
Wade.

PLUMBING PERMITS.

Permits were issued yesterday by
Plumbing Inspector Landers as fol-
lows:

H. M. Delaney, for Southern Manu-
facturing Company, Seventh Street,
South Richmond.

H. P. Maschio, for C. H. Gibbs, 505
North Ninth Street, South Richmond.

Williams Plumbing Company, for
Mrs. Sydney J. Baker, 1369 Porter
Street.

Same, for James Coghill, 1700 Decar-
tur Street.

Same, for Mrs. Minnie Howard, 517
Decatur Street.

ELECTRIC PERMITS.

The following permits were issued
yesterday by the Electrical Depart-
ment:

Morris Hunter, for E. R. Williams,
329 West Franklin Street; three out-
lets.

Same, for E. A. Catlin Company,
agents, 1164 Grove Avenue; forty-eight
outlets.

W. H. Jenks, for Watkins-Cottrell
Company, Fourteenth and Dock Streets;
two outlets.

Same, for B. P. Cosby, 614 West
Grace Street; one outlet.

Same, for Davis Brothers, Inc., 263
North Boulevard; forty-four fixtures.

Same, for W. S. Rhoads, 615 Noble
Avenue; two fixtures.

Same, for R. M. Anderson & Co., 266
Graham Road; fifteen fixtures.

J. P. Stricker, for R. M. Anderson

& Co., 314 Graham Road; twenty-five
outlets.

Same, for same, 312 Graham Road;
twenty-five outlets.

R. R. Cosby Electric and Machine
Company, for L. Marchetti, 1619 East
Broad Street; replacing defective cord
and switch.

AMPLE SUPPLY OF MILK FOR BABIES IN GERMANY

Report from American Embassy De-
pules Report That Shortage Is
Endangering Lives.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—A report
from the American embassy at Berlin,
dated a week ago, and made public
to-day by the State Department, again
denies reports that a milk shortage is
endangering the lives of babies in Ger-
many. It supplements a more detailed
report of the same nature made early
in July that since then there has been
an appreciable increase in the milk
supply.

Both reports were drawn up by Dr.
A. E. Taylor, of the embassy staff, who
has spent the past three months in-
vestigating food conditions through-
out the empire. In the one given out
to-day he says:

"All the information which has come
to me since I wrote my last report on
the milk situation in Germany sub-
stantiates my report to the effect that
there had never been at any time in
Germany such a scarcity of milk as to
materially involve the nutrition and
health of either sick or healthy chil-
dren, infants or nursing mothers in
Germany. Since the date of my re-
port, there has been an appreciable in-
crease both in the milk supply of Ger-
many and in the importations of dried
milk into that country.

"There is still a scarcity of milk
for use as a beverage by adults, and
in certain parts of the densely popu-
lated industrial regions there are dis-
tricts where the scarcity of milk for
use in cooking is great enough to re-
duce the amount which would be found
in the diet of sick adults under ordi-
nary conditions. . . .

"Believing, therefore, that it is im-
possible that such a state of affairs as
the alleged shortage of milk for babies
in Germany could escape observation, I
have the honor to report that there is
no basis, either evident or ascertain-
able, for the report that there is a
shortage of milk in the German empire
which endangers the health or lives of
babies and children."

SUCCESSOR TO BIRRELL

Henry Edward Duke, Unionist Mem-
ber of Parliament, New Chief
Secretary of Ireland.

LONDON, July 31.—Henry Edward
Duke, a barrister, and Unionist mem-
ber of Parliament for Exeter, was to-
day appointed to be the new Chief Sec-
retary of Ireland in succession to Augus-
tine Birrell. The new chief secretary
will be given a seat in the Cabinet.

No new Lord Lieutenant of Ireland
will be appointed to succeed Lord Wim-
borne, who resigned after the outbreak
of the Dublin rebellion.

Condemns Cargo of Coffee.